

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of a public hearing to be held by the Department of Planning and Permitting of the City and County of Honolulu ("DPP") for the purpose of adopting Rules and Regulations Governing General Excise Tax Exemptions. The hearing will be held at the following time and location:

Date: Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Place: Remote Meeting and In-Person Meeting at Mission Memorial Auditorium, Mission Memorial Building, 550 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813

Pursuant to the Emergency Proclamation Related to the COVID-19 Response issued by Governor David Ige on November 29, 2021, relating to the COVID-19 pandemic (Proclamation), in order to allow public participation in a manner consistent with social distancing practices the following procedures are in effect for the January 18, 2022 meeting. The procedures have been modified to comply with Mayor Blangiardi's Emergency Order No. 2021-16, executed on November 23, 2021. The public may participate in the public hearing via the online meeting venue (details below).

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing notice published in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser on Friday, December 17, 2021.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this public hearing is to adopt Rules Governing General Excise Tax Exemptions ("Rules") pursuant to Revised Charter of Honolulu §§ 4-105.4 and 6-1503, and Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") §§ 46-15.1, 201H-36 and 237-29. The rules are intended to allow the City to approve and certify for exemption from general excise taxes any qualified person or firm involved with a newly constructed, or a moderately or substantially rehabilitated housing project.

The DPP previously held a hearing on the Rules on October 29, 2021 at the above location. Having considered the Rules, testimony provided, and additional internal review, the DPP has further amended the proposed Rules by including certain terms and definitions to clarify the types of income that are eligible for the General Excise Tax exemption.

Copies of the rules relating to the Rules Governing General Excise Tax Exemptions are available free of charge at <http://www.honoluluodpp.org/ReportsNotices.aspx> or may be reviewed or obtained at the Department of Planning and Permitting, 7th Floor, Frank F. Fasi Municipal Building, 650 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813, during normal business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday). Please call 768-8000, or email info@honoluluodpp.org to request mailing of rules, which shall be subject to payment for copying and postage fees.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND TESTIMONY

The public may join the public hearing and offer testimony from a computer, smartphone, telephone, or in person as follows:

- **Join the public hearing from a computer: (Please mute your devices except to testify)**
<https://globalpage-prod.webex.com/join>
 Meeting Number: 2482 242 1194
 Meeting Password: dpp1
- **Join the public hearing from the WebEx smartphone app: (Please mute your devices except to testify)**
 Meeting Number: 2482 242 1194
 Meeting Password: dpp1
- **Join the public hearing from a telephone (audio only): (Please mute your devices except to testify. Press *6 to unmute and remute yourselves)**
 408-418-9388 (USA Toll)
 Access code: 2482 242 1194
 Numeric meeting password: 3771
- **Oral testimony via phone or Webex:** To provide oral testimony during the online meeting via phone or Webex, we suggest you register in advance by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 14, 2022, by emailing your name, phone number, and subject matter to info@honoluludpp.org
- **In-person attendance:** The City is exercising a good faith effort to provide this option only to members of the public who are unable to attend the meeting via phone or Webex. All in-person attendees and testifiers must wear a mask while on the Mission Memorial premises and must maintain six feet of distance between themselves and others or they will not be allowed in the Auditorium. (See Mayor's Emergency Order 2020-16. Note: Subject to change.)

Attendance at the public hearing is not necessary to submit testimony. Written testimony, data, views or arguments with respect to the proposed rules may be faxed (808-768-6743) or mailed (650 South King Street, 7th Floor, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813) to the Department prior to the public hearing and will be considered in the evaluation of the request.

Note: If you require special assistance, auxiliary aid and/or service to participate in this event (i.e. sign language interpreter, interpreter for language other than English, or wheelchair accessibility), please call 768-8000, or email your request to info@honoluludpp.org at least three business days prior to the event.

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